

COUNTRY Eastern Germany

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TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 13 to 25 September 1952

DATE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE PREPARED 24 October 1952

REFERENCES 25X1

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REMARKS

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25X1 1. The following troop trains were listed in the railroad headquarters between 13 and 19 September 1952:

Date in September	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
13	10 converted boxcars and 51 flatcars	Altengrabow	Premnitz
14	8 converted boxcars and 10 flatcars	Aken	Premnitz
15	an undetermined number of boxcars and 13 flatcars	Magdeburg-Sudenburg	Solpke
	an undetermined number of cars	Magdeburg-Mord	Solpke
	5 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar and 14 flatcars	Altengrabow	Merseburg
16	8 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 41 flatcars	Altengrabow	Gardelegen
	6 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 25 flatcars	Altengrabow	Gardelegen
	8 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 41 flatcars	Altengrabow	Gardelegen
	2 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 41 flatcars	Altengrabow	Gardelegen

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	10 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 38 flatcars	Altengrabow	Cardelegen
	12 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 4 flatcars	Altengrabow	Cardelegen
19	8 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 49 flatcars	Altengrabow	Cardelegen
	8 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 43 flatcars	Altengrabow	Cardelegen
	7 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 33 flatcars	Altengrabow	Letzlingen
	7 converted boxcars, 4 boxcars and 33 flatcars	Altengrabow	Letzlingen
	6 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar and 22 flatcars	Altengrabow	Jaevenitz
	5 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 50 flatcars	Schwerin railroad district	Cardelegen
	4 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 43 flatcars	Schwerin railroad district	Cardelegen
	4 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 37 flatcars	Schwerin railroad district	Cardelegen
	7 converted boxcars, 6 boxcars and 47 flatcars	Schwerin railroad district	Cardelegen

2. Between 18 and 25 September, the number of railroad cars for troop transportation assembled in the Magdeburg railroad district [] totaled 436 converted boxcars, 330 boxcars, 1,005 flatcars and 360 SSY-type flatcars.

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Comments.

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- (1) The troop train [] possibly carried a unit of the IV Arty Corps, probably of the 25th RL Brig, which returned to its home station. The unit had been entrained at Premnitz on 10 and 11 September 1952. []
- (2) During the night of 14 September 1952, the unidentified engineer regiment of the GOFG departed by road from the camp at Hirschleckerdamm near Aken in an undetermined direction. The tank unit belonging to this regiment had also left.

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25X1 the installation. [REDACTED] is believed that the tank unit was loaded at the Aken railroad station. Trucks, light AT guns and regimental supply vehicles proceeded to the Premnitz area by road. Although no vehicles of the regiment have been observed in the Premnitz area since 15 September 1952, it appears possible that the regiment participated in the field exercises which started in the Rathenow area in mid-September 1952. On 23 September 1952, some elements of the regiment allegedly had returned to the Aken area while some elements returned to their home stations in Bernburg. [REDACTED]

25X1 (3) The troop train [REDACTED] possibly carried artillery units of the Eighth Ods Army which returned from Altengrabow to their home station.

25X1 (4) All other troop trains [REDACTED] belong to the rail movement connected with the field exercises of the Third Shock Army in the Letzling Heath area, which started on about 20 September 1952. [REDACTED] the dispatching of components of the IV Arty Corps from Altengrabow, and components of the IX Itz Rifle Corps from their posts and the Wittstock troop training grounds, are either confirmed or supplemented by the present information. [REDACTED]

25X1 [REDACTED] only six troop trains left Altengrabow on 18 and 19 September 1952, while, [REDACTED] 11 troop trains were dispatched from [REDACTED]

25X1 Altengrabow toward Letzling Heath on the same days. [REDACTED]

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